

**REMARKS**

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative during the telephone conversation on Wednesday, May 9, 2007.

In the above-referenced Office Action, the Examiner has stated that claims 41 to 43, 47 to 52, 55 to 59, 63 to 68, 81, and 82 are rejected and that claims 45, 53, 54, 61, and 62 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, and would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The Examiner stated in the response to arguments presented in the previous Amendment that the previous rejection was maintained because Applicant had not presented arguments with respect to the rejection.

During the telephone conversation with the Examiner, Applicant's representative stated that the previous Office Action, dated August 24, 2006, contained a similar rejection except that claims 60 to 62 had been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, and had been indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In the response to that Office Action, an Amendment dated November 21, 2006, Applicant cancelled claim 60 (indicated to be allowable) and incorporated the limitations thereof into independent claim 41. All of the pending claims remaining in the application depend either directly or indirectly from claim 41.

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Applicant believes that the foregoing amendments place the claims in condition for allowance, and accordingly respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds for rejection.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, she is hereby authorized to call Applicant(s) attorney, Judith L. Byorick, at Telephone Number (585) 423-4564, Rochester, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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